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SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR DELEGATIONS TO CONSECUTIVE MEETINGS

OF FAO COUNCIL, NOVEMBER 3 - 7; FAO CONFERENCE,

NOVEMBER 8-27; AND FAO CONCIL, NOVEMBER 28

1. IN ABSENCE OF LIST OF DELEGATES OR EVEN NUMBERS, WE HAVE MADE FOLLOWING HOTEL RESERVATIONS TO ASSURE OURSELVES OF ROOMS, BASED ON EXPERIENCE TWO YEARS' AGO WITH EXPECTATION THAT NUMBERS WILL BE REDUCED, AND THAT MANY OFFICIALS WILL CONTINUE FROM ONE MEETING TO NEXT: A) FOR 67TH FAO COUNCIL MEETING, NOVEMBER 2 - 7, EIGHT SINGLES AT MAJESTIC NOVEMBER 2 - 27; B) FOR FAO CONFERENCE MEETING NOVEMBER 8 - 27, 10 SINGLES AT MAJESTIC, FIVE AT ELISEO, AND THREE AT IMPERIALE, NOVEMBER 9 - 27 (NOTE: THIS ASSUMES MAIN DELEGATION WILL NOT ARRIVE FOR ONE-DAY PRELIMINARY ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, BUT WILL COME ONLY FOR CONSECUTIVE DAYS OF SESSION BEGINNING NOVEMBER 10); FOR 68TH COUNCIL ONE-DAY MEETING, FIVE SINGLES AT MAJESTIC FOR NIGHT OF NOVEMBER 8.

2. NOT INCLUDED IN THESE FIGURES ARE SPECIAL PARTIES; SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE BUTZ, WHO HAS BEEN INVITED TO STAY WITH AMBASSADOR VOLPE DURING HIS NOVEMBER 12-14 STAY, AND HIS PARTY (NO INFORMATION RECEIVED THUS FAR). WOULD APPRECIATE TRAVEL PLANS OF SECRETARY BUTZ AND PARTY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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ALSO NOT INCLUDED ARE CONGRESSIONAL OFFICIALS, WHO PRESUMABLY

WOULD BE HERE ONLY PORTION OF TIME. QUESTION OF OIC PERSONNEL IS UNCERTAIN. OIC WILL NEED TO LOOK AT FIGURES FOR THREE MEETINGS, AND SEE IF WITH EXPECTED REDUCTIONS IN DELEGATIONS THESE ARE ADEQUATE TO COVER THEIR NEEDS, OR WHETHER WE NEED TO MAKE ADDITIONAL RESERVATIONS.

3. AS FOR REPRESENTATION, AMBASSADOR VOLPE HAS AGREED TO HOST RECEPTION FOR SECRETARY BUTZ AND DELEGATION, INVITING CHIEFS OF DELEGATION AND SELECTED FAO OFFICIALS, EVENING OF NOVEMBER 13 IN AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. FAO CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT HAS BEEN NOTIFIED OF THIS PLAN. WOULD APPRECIATE KNOWING OF OTHER REPRESENTATIONAL NEEDS, FOR FAO CONFERENCE AND ESPECIALLY FOR PRECEDING 67TH FAO COUNCIL SESSION, AT WHICH IT MIGHT BE DESIRABLE FOR CHIEF OF DELEGATION TO HOST LUNCHEON FOR SELECTED CHIEFS OF DELEGATIONS.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE EARLIEST INFORMATION ON ANY CHANGES IN NUMBERS OF RESERVATIONS MADE, AND ADVICE ON REPRESENTATION FUNDS AND DESIRES. VOLPE

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